

**DEPARTMENT OF LIVESTOCK  
ANIMAL HEALTH DIVISION  
OFFICIAL ORDER NO. 05-01-I (AMENDED)**

**DATE:** November 15, 2005  
**DATE EFFECTIVE:** November 15, 2005  
**DATE OF BOARD APPROVAL:** November 15, 2005  
**SUBJECT:** Tuberculosis (TB) testing of animals imported into Montana  
**STATUTORY AUTHORIZATION:** 81-2-102(1)(d), Montana Code Annotated

**ORDERED BY:** Thomas F.T. Linfield, D.V.M., State Veterinarian

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**REVIEWED BY:** Marc Bridges, Executive Officer, Department of Livestock

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**ORDER**

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT FROM THE EFFECTIVE DATE SET FORTH ABOVE, UNTIL AMENDED BY STATUTE, RULE, OR OFFICIAL ORDER, THE TUBERCULOSIS (TB) TESTING REQUIREMENTS FOR ANIMALS IMPORTED INTO THE STATE OF MONTANA ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

- I. ANIMALS ORIGINATING FROM, AND RESIDING IN FOR 60 DAYS OR MORE, TB ACCREDITED FREE U.S. STATES OR ZONES (ALL STATES, EXCEPT MINNESOTA, TEXAS, AND ZONES IN NEW MEXICO AND MICHIGAN):**
- A. CATTLE AND BISON (including oxen and beefalo)**
- 1) TB test (negative) required within 60 days prior to importation into Montana for all M-Branded, Mx-Branded, or other cattle or bison originally from Mexico. Test must be performed by a USDA-APHIS-VS Accredited veterinarian.
  - 2) TB test (negative) required within 60 days prior to importation into Montana for all cattle or bison in contact with or exposed to M-Branded, Mx-Branded, or other cattle or bison originally from Mexico. Test must be performed by a USDA-APHIS-VS Accredited veterinarian.
  - 3) TB test (negative) required within 60 days prior to importation for all sexually intact dairy cattle six (6) months of age and older, unless dairy cattle originate directly from a USDA-APHIS-VS Accredited TB-Free herd. (Herd accreditation number and date of entire herd test must be included on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.)
- B. YAKS, OTHER BOS SPECIES, AND WILD SPECIES OF CLOVEN-HOOFED UNGULATES**
- 1) TB test (negative) required within 60 days prior to importation into Montana for all yaks and wild species of cloven-hoofed ungulates.
- C. GOATS**
- 1) TB test (negative) required within 60 days prior to importation into Montana for all dairy breeds of goats of all ages; or
  - 2) TB test not required if dairy goats originate directly from a USDA-APHIS-VS Accredited TB-Free herd. The herd accreditation number and date of entire herd test must be included on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.
  - 3) TB test not required on dairy goats less than six (6) months of age if accompanied by TB test-negative dams.
- D. CAMELIDS (including llamas, alpacas, and, camels)**

- 1) TB test (negative axillary test and/or other Montana State Veterinarian-approved test) required within 60 days prior to importation into Montana for all camelids.
- 2) TB test not required on camelids less than six (6) months of age if accompanied by TB test-negative dams.

**E. CERVIDS (including but not limited to deer, elk, reindeer)**

- 1) TB test (negative single cervical test) within 90 days prior to importation into Montana and must originate directly from a herd that has been tested negative in its entirety within the last 12 months; or
- 2) Two TB tests (negative single- cervical tests) 90-120 days apart. The second TB test must be within 90 days prior to importation into Montana; or
- 3) TB test not required if cervids originate directly from a USDA-APHIS-VS Accredited TB-Free herd. The herd accreditation number and date of entire herd test must be included on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.

**F. ELEPHANTS**

- 1) TB test (negative trunk wash and culture and/ or other Montana State Veterinarian-approved test) required within 60 days prior to importation into Montana; or
- 2) TB test (3 negative trunk washes and culture and/ or other Montana State Veterinarian-approved test) within 12 months if not exposed to TB culture positive animal in last 5 years (USDA guidelines); or
- 3) TB test (3 negative trunk washes and culture and/ or other Montana State Veterinarian-approved test) within 90 days if exposed to TB culture positive animal within last 5 years (USDA guidelines).

**G. NON-HUMAN PRIMATES**

- 1) TB test (negative intradermic test- eyelid, forearm, or abdomen with Tuberculin OT) within 30 days prior to importation into Montana.

**II. ANIMALS ORIGINATING FROM, AND RESIDING IN FOR 60 DAYS OR MORE, TB MODIFIED ACCREDITED ADVANCED U.S. STATES OR ZONES: MINNESOTA, TEXAS, PORTIONS OF ROOSEVELT AND CURRY COUNTIES OF NEW MEXICO, AND MODIFIED ACCREDITED ADVANCED ZONE OF MICHIGAN**

**A. CATTLE AND BISON (including oxen and beefalo)**

- 1) TB test (negative) required within 60 days prior to importation into Montana for all cattle and bison two (2) months of age and older; or
- 2) TB test not required if cattle or bison originate directly from a USDA-APHIS-VS Accredited TB-Free herd. The herd accreditation number and date of entire herd test must be included on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection. (Individual animals in shipment must have been included in annual entire herd test).
- 3) TB test not required on cattle and bison less than six (6) months of age if accompanied by TB test-negative dams.

**B. YAKS, OTHER BOS SPECIES, WILD SPECIES OF CLOVEN-HOOFED UNGULATES, CAMELIDS, CERVIDS, ELEPHANTS, AND NON-HUMAN PRIMATES**

- 1) Refer to requirements in section I.

**C. GOATS:**

- 1) TB test (negative) required within 60 days prior to importation into Montana for all non-dairy goats two (2) month of age and older.
- 2) TB test not required on goats less than six (6) months of age if accompanied by TB test-negative dams.
- 3) Dairy breeds refer to requirements in section I.

**III. ANIMALS ORIGINATING FROM, AND RESIDING IN FOR 60 DAYS OR MORE, TB MODIFIED ACCREDITED U.S. STATES OR ZONES OR STATES/ ZONES OR PROVINCES WITH TB**

**DOCUMENTED IN WILDLIFE: MANITOBA AND MODIFIED ACCREDITED ZONE OF MICHIGAN, INCLUDING: ALCONA, ALPENA, ANTRIM, CHARLEVOIX, CHEBOYGAN, CRAWFORD, EMMET, MONTMORENCY, OSCODA, OTSEGO, AND PRESQUE ISLE COUNTIES, AND THOSE PORTIONS OF IOSCO AND OGEA W COUNTIES THAT ARE NORTH OF THE SOUTHERNMOST BOUNDARIES OF THE HURON NATIONAL FOREST AND THE AU SABLE STATE FOREST**

**A. CATTLE (including oxen and beefalo), BISON, BUFFALO, YAKS, OTHER BOS SPECIES, WILD SPECIES OF CLOVEN-HOOFED UNGULATES, GOATS, CAMELIDS, AND CERVIDS**

- 1) TB test (negative) required (all ages of animals) within 60 days prior to importation into Montana and must originate directly from a herd that has been TB tested in its entirety within the last 12 months; or
- 2) TB test (negative) required (all ages of animals) within 60 days prior to importation into Montana and must originate directly from a USDA-APHIS-VS Accredited TB-Free herd (or Canadian equivalent). The herd accreditation number and date of entire herd test must be included on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection; or
- 3) Two TB tests (negative) (all ages of animals) 60-120 days apart (90 to 120 days apart for Cervids). The second TB test must be within 60 days (90 days for Cervids) prior to importation into Montana.

**B. ELEPHANTS AND NON-HUMAN PRIMATES**

- 1) Refer to requirements in section I.

**IV. M-BRANDED, Mx-BRANDED, AND OTHER CATTLE OR BISON ORIGINATING DIRECTLY FROM MEXICO (IMPORTED INTO THE U.S. WITHIN 60 DAYS):**

- A) Two TB tests (negative) 60-120 days apart. The first negative TB test can be the U.S. entry test. The second negative test must be performed by a USDA-APHIS-VS accredited veterinarian and must be within 60 days prior to importation into Montana.

**ADDITIONAL:**

- (1) **ALL TB TESTED ANIMALS MUST BE INDIVIDUALLY IDENTIFIED (OFFICIAL IDENTIFICATION) AND LISTED ON THE CERTIFICATE OF VETERINARY INSPECTION TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR IMPORTATION INTO MONTANA.**
- (2) **ANIMALS REQUIRING ONE OR MORE TB TESTS MUST NOT BE IN CONTACT WITH OR EXPOSED TO NON-TESTED ANIMALS OR OTHER ANIMALS OF A LESSER TB TEST-STATUS DURING THE TB TESTING PERIOD AND PRIOR TO IMPORTATION INTO MONTANA.**
- (3) **ANIMALS ORIGINATING FROM PREMISES UNDER TB QUARANTINE OR FROM PREMISES WITH EPIDEMIOLOGICAL LINKS TO TB INFECTED PREMISES WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR IMPORTATION INTO MONTANA.**
- (4) **ANY EXCEPTIONS TO THE ABOVE REQUIREMENTS MUST BE APPROVED BY THE MONTANA STATE VETERINARIAN.**
- (5) **THIS OFFICIAL ORDER RESCINDS THE FOLLOWING OFFICIAL ORDERS OF THE MONTANA STATE VETERINARIAN:**
  - (a) **05-01-I, dated July 19, 2005**
  - (b) **04-02-I, dated July 12, 2004;**
  - (c) **03-01-I, dated March 4, 2003;**

- (d) 02-03-I, dated November 12, 2002;**
- (e) 02-01-I, dated July 15, 2002;**
- (f) 02-02-I, dated July 15, 2002; and**
- (g) 01-01-I, dated March 15, 2001.**